



Upcycled Cereal Box Organizer Craft

Subject: Waste Reduction, Upcycling

Spring cleaning? How about making an organizer out of cereal boxes to store magazines, papers and other clutter? You can organize your home and keep trash out of the landfill. It's a win-win!

Materials List

1. 2 empty cereal boxes of similar size
2. Ruler and scissors
3. Marker
4. Glue and tape
5. Old wrapping paper or magazine pages
6. Twine or string (optional)

Ages: 12 and up

Time: 30 - 45 minutes

Instructions

1. Use marker and ruler to draw a diagonal line on each side of both boxes. You will cut the box at an angle from side to side so each box has a tall side and short side. The angle and how tall you make it is totally up to you.



2. Cut box along the line. Start cutting at a top corner until you meet the start of your line, then cut along line. Repeat on 2nd box.

See other side

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Instructions *continued*



3. Line up boxes back to back along the long side as shown in picture and glue using any kind of glue. Let dry.

4. Cover with saved wrapping paper, magazine pages or other colorful paper. Lay organizer on paper with an inch or two of overhang at the bottom and enough on the sides and top to fully cover the boxes. Wrap as if you were wrapping a present, then tape. To wrap the top, cut slits at the corners and fold extra down into the organizer and tape.

5. (Optional) If you have string or twine, wrap around width of organizer a few times and tie in front to add storage for pens and pencils. You can attach with glue if you'd like it more secure.



Table Talk

1. Why is it a good idea to reuse an item instead of throwing it out?
2. What else can you make with the rest of the cereal box?